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CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION
HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Notification

The 20th May, 2021

No. EPI-ADM-2021/1913-A.—Whereas the Governor of Punjab & Administrator U.T., Chandigarh is satisfied that the Union Territory of Chandigarh is threatened with the outbreak of dangerous epidemic disease, namely Mucormycosis, among immune-compromised patients, especially COVID-19 patients being treated with steroids and that the ordinary provisions of law for the time being in force are insufficient for the purpose. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under the section 2 of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, the Governor of Punjab & Administrator U.T. is pleased to make the following regulations, namely :—

1. These Regulations may be called 'The Chandigarh Administration Epidemic Diseases (Mucormycosis) Regulations, 2021 and shall remain valid for one year from the date of publication.
2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires "Epidemic Disease" means Mucormycosis.
3. All the healthcare facilities (Government and private) will follow the guidelines for screening, diagnosis, management of Mucormycosis, issued by MoHFW (GoI)/ ICMR/ State Government and amended from time to time.
4. All the healthcare facilities (Government and private) will report each and every suspected or confirmed case of Mucormycosis to Health Department through Director Health Services.
5. No person/institution or organization will spread any information or material for management of Mucormycosis without prior permission from Health Department, Chandigarh Administration.
6. No person/institution or organization will use any print/ electronic or any other form of media for Mucormycosis without prior permission from Health Department, Chandigarh Administration.
7. Notice for disobeying the Notification : A Committee under the Chairpersonship of Director Health & Family Welfare, Chandigarh Administration will be constituted, which will have specialists of Internal Medicine, Ophthalmology, ENT and Epidemiologist as members to review any disobeying by any person/institution or organization of the notification or any order issued under these regulations. If disobeying is proved, a notice would be issued by the Director Health & Family Welfare, Chandigarh Administration against such person/institution or organization, indicating the offence/irregularity conducted as per this notification.

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8. The reply of person/institution or organization received against the notice will be reviewed by the aforementioned District Committee. If reply is not received within stipulated time of receipt of the notice or if the reply is found unsatisfactory by the Committee and it is confirmed that the person/institution or organization has disobeyed regulations, the Chairperson of the Committee will take the necessary action against the delinquent person/institution or organization as per section 3 of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897.
9. Penalty: Any person/institution or organization disobeying these Regulations or order issued under these Regulations shall be deemed to have committed an offence punishable under section 188 of Indian Penal Code (45 of 1860).
10. Protection to persons acting under these Regulations : No suit or legal proceedings shall lie against any person for anything done or intended to be done in good faith under these regulations.
11. These regulations shall come into force at once and shall remain valid for one year from the date of publication.

Chandigarh :
The 20th May, 2021.

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Chandigarh Administration.

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